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L'Affaire Dreyfus

French Attorney General Expresses Amazement at Result of Investigation.

No Officer Could Have Successfully Combated Such Cooked Evidence.

Declaration of the Unfortunate Hero's Innocence a Foregone Conclusion.

Paris, March 3.—The court of cassation began at noon today the consideration of the appeal of Alfred Dreyfus for a revision of his trial.

The court was crowded. Former Colonel Picquart was present. Dreyfus was not present, his interests being in the hands of Lawyer Morhard, M. Boyer, reporter of the court, read his report in which he presented the two new facts upon which the minister of justice, M. Vaile, recommended a revision of the case. These were set forth as follows: "One—The secret documents include a letter bearing the initial 'D.' Now, by an affidavit of October 6, 1903, signed by M. Grégoire (deputy of the archives), it appears that this document previously carried the letter 'P.' For this letter was substituted a 'D,' and thus the altered document was presented to the court at Rennes.

"Two—According to the minister of justice, another letter signed 'Alex. Andrieu,' which Agent 'A' addressed to Agent 'B' contained some words in the handwriting of the late Lieut.-Colonel Henry, who committed suicide in prison, after having confessed committing a forgery in the case. The letter relates to the organization of French railroads."

M. Gubelin swore during the inquiry of the minister of war that this letter was false. It was true, however, that the date of the document was March 28th, 1895, when Dreyfus was imprisoned on Devil's Island. M. Boyer made a review of the case, declaring he could not find any proof to establish the existence of the document which was claimed to have been annotated by the German Emperor, and which was transmitted to one of Dreyfus' judges at Rennes. There was no doubt, he added, of the transmission of the "Alexandrine" letter with the false dates. The words in Lieut.-Colonel Henry's handwriting had an unfavorable effect upon the court martial. M. Boyer concluded with saying that the letters used against the accused were falsified prior to the proceedings of 1890, but he added that this had not yet been judicially determined upon.

The attorney-general said that when he began his consideration of the Dreyfus case he was satisfied that a judicial error had not been committed, but as the investigation proceeded his amazement increased. "One by one," the attorney-general continued, "all the charges vanished, leaving only accusations without importance or consistency. When I examined the secret collection of documents in the case and saw their miserable character, valuable only because of the mystery cleverly thrown about them, I concluded it was necessary to have a last word, and it is my conviction that there is not one of us, if in the army, and not an officer now in the army, who would not have succumbed had he been under an accusation thus managed."

The existence of a traitor in the French war office was revealed by an alleged foreign diplomat who acted without consideration. It is now claimed that Lieut.-Colonel Henry in 1897 caused a book of expenditures to be replaced in order to remove all trace of payments to this diplomat, who, it was claimed, was an employee of the intelligence department. It was claimed by those present in court that if the new facts are acknowledged by the tribunal, the innocence of Dreyfus would be established.

The Owners Are Arrested

Contractors and Proprietors of Collapsed Apartment Building Held.

Fourteen Bodies Taken From Ruins and Slow Progress Made.

New York, March 3.—There are fifteen dead, fifteen known to have been injured and three persons reported missing as the result of the collapse of the Manhattan apartment building on West 46th street yesterday, and as the result injury to the Patterson hotel, directly in the rear of the collapsed building. The search for the dead among the twisted iron girders and masses of stone continued all of last night and today. A large wrecking force continued tonight, aided in its efforts by a steam derrick.

Many large iron lights have been erected over the mass of twisted timbers and beams, and the operations will go on without interruption until daylight.

In spite of the progress made with the derrick, Police Captain Lantry late tonight said that he did not believe that any more bodies could be taken out until morning. Four bodies were then in sight.

The mangled body of Frank Allison, brother of Eugene Allison, president of the Allison Realty Company, was taken out of the ruins tonight. He was supposed to have been on the ninth floor at the time of the disaster.

According to Mrs. L. Gunkler, at whose home he boarded, Frank Allison was engaged to be married to Miss Amy L. Marquitz, of St. Louis, the announcement of the engagement having recently been printed in St. Louis.

Allison was formerly an expert gunner in the navy, having returned from the Philippines but a few months ago. In an outside pocket of Allison's coat was found a letter written by his fiancée, which indicated that the couple were to have been married shortly.

The workmen uncovered two bodies of workmen in the middle of the building. They had been crushed against water barrels; one of the men had a nail in his hand.

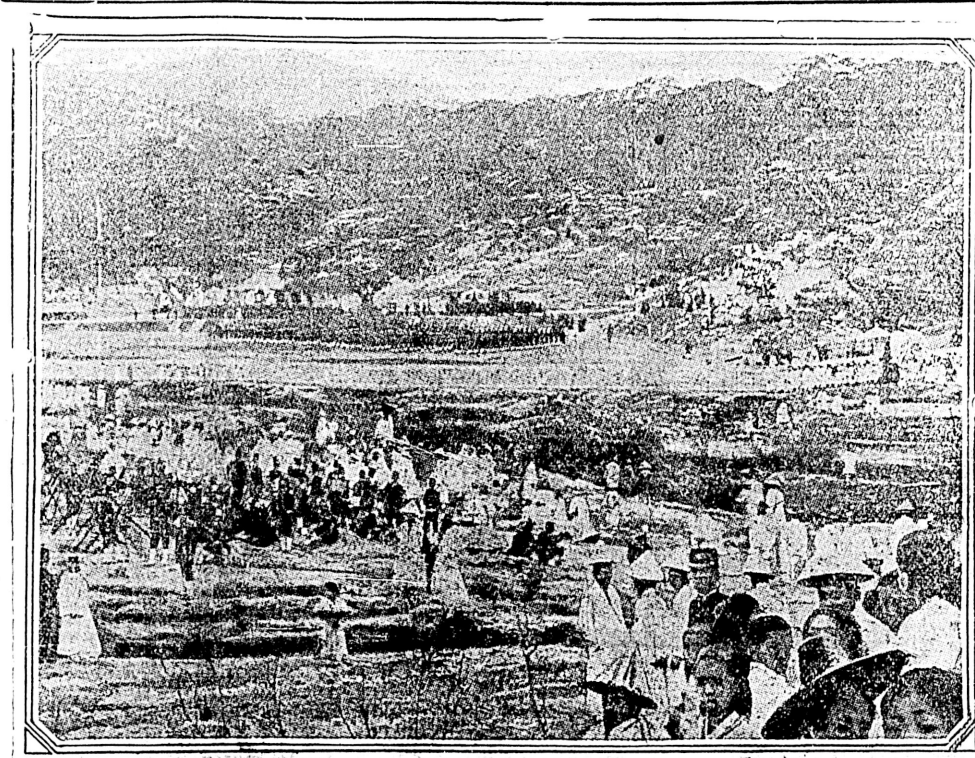
Coroner Scherler has issued warrants for "Eugene" Allison, presumably Charles R. Allison, of the Allison Realty Company, and Paul Schwander, of Pole & Schwander, the iron work contractors. Schwander, the contractor (Continued on Page Two)

FATAL RACE RIOT.

Fort Smith, Ark., March 3.—It is reported here that two white men were killed and one white man and two negroes seriously wounded in a race riot at Bokese, I. T., last night. White laborers on the Midland Valley railroad came into collision with the negroes at camp a short distance from the town. The negroes resisted and a pitched battle followed. A further clash is feared. The negroes are said to have fortified themselves in the woods and seem determined to resist to the uttermost all efforts to dislodge them.

AFTER MANY YEARS.
German Deserter Returns After Thirty-four Years and Is Promptly Juggled.

Berlin, March 3.—Emperor William, upon the request of United States ambassador Tower, has pardoned Edward Engesser to six months' imprisonment. Engesser left the army in 1870, not as it appears from unwillingness to serve in the war with France, then begun, but as an act of youthful indiscretion. He returned to Baden in December last, thinking he had been forgotten after thirty-four years' absence, but he was immediately arrested and convicted. Mr. Tower found that the case was within German treaty rights, but he caused Engesser's petition admitting his technical guilt to be brought to the Emperor's attention.

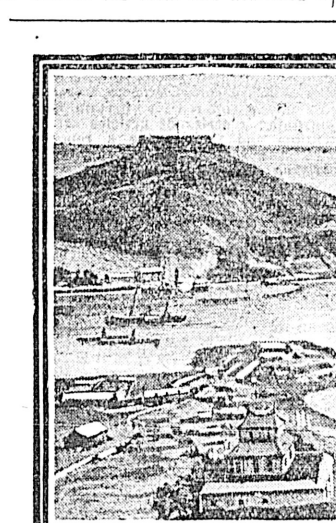


JAPANESE TROOPS AT FUSAN, KOREA.

MANIAC'S GUNNING AT WASHINGTON

Discharged Soldier Creates a Sensation in the War Department.

Washington, March 3.—Robert Manning, a messenger in the war department today was attacked by a crank in his room in the department and shot in the back. The assailant, whose name has not been obtained was quickly overpowered and disarmed. Manning's wound is believed to be serious. The shooting occurred in the mail and record division of the adjutant-general's office.



LOOKING OUT TO SEA THROUGH THE ROADSTEAD FROM PORT ARTHUR.

revolver and fired at random. In addition to shooting Mr. Manning, a shot also took effect in the left arm of Arthur Wicker, a clerk. Another shot barely missed Miss Emma Sexton, also a clerk.

The injury to Manning is on the right side just above the kidneys, and proved dangerous. Wicker was shot in the left arm. The maniac was overpowered by James J. Dawson, a messenger. It required the combined strength of half a dozen men to subdue the man. Prominent among them was Lieut.-General Adna R. Chaffee, chief of staff. The lunatic still held the smoking weapon in his hand when General Chaffee noticed it and, with his left hand on the man's throat, took the weapon from him and also the papers in his pocket. The injured men were taken to the Emergency hospital. O'Brien was admitted to Elizabeth asylum in 1893. He was later paroled, but was returned in 1897. He served in the Sixth Cavalry and Third Artillery.

The officials of the war department were incensed at the superintendent of St. Elizabeth's asylum for permitting O'Brien to go at large. He came back as 1897, it is stated, O'Brien was paroled, and came to the department, becoming very abusive. The injured man, Manning, though born in England, was appointed from Detroit, Michigan.

Gardner Canal For Terminus

Dominion Surveyor Advocates Another Terminus For G. T. P.

Mineral Production For Past Year Shows Slight Falling Off.

From our own correspondent.
Ottawa, March 3.—The secretary of state has received a cable from Lord Strathcona in which he says the foreign office advises him that in view of the reported sinking of a Japanese merchant vessel, His Majesty's minister at Seoul telegraphed the missionaries on the 23rd ult. to await a British man-of-war rather than send their women and children by a Japanese vessel. They replied that they would await further instructions. The admiralty has since instructed the commander on the China station to send a ship to Song-Chin for the missionaries.

MARTIAL LAW IN SEOUL.

General Inouye, the Japanese commander at Seoul, Korea, with the consent of the Korean government, has issued an order commencing with the proclamation of martial law.

FRENCH CANADIAN LOYALTY.

Toronto, March 3.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur addressed the Empire Club at its noonday luncheon today on the loyalty of French Canadians to the Empire. "French Canadians," he said, "prize too highly the advantages they enjoy under the safeguard of the British constitution to wish to change their positions for any one that accidents of the future might create."

WINDING UP WORLD'S FAIR.

Chicago, March 3.—The accounts of the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893 were closed yesterday with the payment of a final dividend of 4.61 per cent to all of the 3,000 stockholders. A dividend of 10 per cent was paid in 1894. The entire amount disbursed in the final dividend was \$256,000. About \$2,000 remains in the hands of the treasurer to meet any claims which may be brought against the company. All told the local organization spent \$26,000,000 and the national government and the state \$7,000,000. The total spent on the Chicago World's fair was \$33,000,000.

Headquarters At Mukden

General Kuropatkin Will Make a Change In Present Plans.

Cold Weather Prevents Completion of the Russian Fortifications.

Japanese Losses at Port Arthur Much Larger Than Admitted.

Vladivostok, March 3.—It is reported here that a Japanese steamer, the name of which is not known was sunk in the Sea of Japan on February 25th while on her way to Wonsan with a load of rice.

Witnesses of the naval fight at Port Arthur have just arrived here. They declare that the losses of the Japanese up to February 25th were greater than has been admitted in foreign newspapers. In addition to five steamers sunk they say that five torpedo boat destroyers, one gunboat and two torpedo boats were put out of action and several others so damaged that they will require extensive repairs.

PREPARING FOR JAPANESE.

Yin Kow, March 3.—The Russo-Chinese Bank is closing preparatory to removing to Mukden. Women and children are preparing to leave Yin Kow in anticipation of the arrival of a Japanese fleet, which is expected when the river opens, probably a fortnight hence. The United States gunboat Helena and the British cruiser Esmeralda are making preparations to leave the dry docks in a week's time.

The mainmast of the Russian gunboat Sivuch has been cut off. This would indicate that she is being dismantled, but otherwise she would appear to be clearing for action.

PREPARING TO RETIRE.

On account of the impossibility of defending the coast of Ying Kow until such time as a thaw permits the construction of retrenchments and forts, the Russians have prepared to retire up the main railroad line.

There are practically no defences here, and although the shifting and reshifting of troops and artillery to the small forts at the mouth of the Liao river has the appearance of an intention to defend Yin Kow, the military authorities depend upon an inland engagement to put a stop to the Japanese advance.

KUROPATKIN'S PLANS.

As far as is yet known the only plans decided upon are:

First—That Gen. Kuropatkin's headquarters are to be at Mukden. Vice-roy Alexieff proposes to remain at Mukden indefinitely as that city is the centre of the Chinese administration and has a viceregal bureau.

Second—That the plain west of Tashih-chiao, which is almost impossible of defence, will be held, if possible, on account of the railroad connecting with Port Arthur.

Thirdly—Hail-Ching and Liao-Chang are the extreme limits to which troops will be withdrawn on account of the exposure of the railroad at these points.

SIEGE OF PORT ARTHUR.

That the Japanese will arrive before a thaw permits the construction of defences is thought here to be practically certain. It would appear also that the authorities expect Port Arthur to be besieged.

Sir Robert Hart, director of the Chinese imperial maritime customs, after sounding Russian opinion in the matter, has ordered the Chinese customs lightship and the channel buoy to be placed at the river mouth as sentinels. This, however, has no effect upon the neutralization of Newchwang.

CHINESE REBELLION.

Shanghai, March 3.—A despatch from Chen-Nig-Chu, province of Kuai-Chou, China, announces that a rebellion has broken out against the Boxer indemnity tax. The sub-prefect's residence was looted yesterday.

RUSSIAN REINFORCEMENTS.

Port Said, Egypt, March 3.—As a result of a collision between a Russian torpedo boat and an Egyptian revenue cutter at Kantara, in the canal, the latter was sunk. The Russians saved the Suex repeatedly overstay their time will be blocked for at least twenty-four hours. Three of the four Russian torpedo boats which returned here yesterday after having sailed ostensibly for Algiers were considerably weatherbeaten. They were refused an additional supply of coal and ordered to leave port.

The Russian ships at Port Said and the Suex repeated overstay their time limit in spite of the protests of the government.

HAS PLENTY OF MONEY.

Paris, March 3.—The Liberte quotes Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to Great Britain as saying, in regard to the statements that the United States does not favor the floating of a Japanese loan in America:

"Fortunately we have no need of a foreign loan, as our own financial resources are sufficient."

The French Red Cross Society has decided to send to Japan, besides two campaign hospitals, a large quantity of linen and clothing for the Japanese wounded.

SQUADRON IN RED SEA.

Berlin, March 3.—Advices from St. Petersburg today say that new orders have been issued to Admiral Witte to keep his squadron in the Red Sea to watch passing war-vessels and to capture vessels carrying contraband of war.

BUYING ARMY HORSES.

Leningrad, Russia, March 3.—A careful inquiry disproves the allegation that British agents had been purchasing horses here for shipment to the Japanese. The purchases made are no greater than in former years. Jews annually buy 300,000 horses in Poland, principally for the Austrian army.

RUSSIAN EMANCIPATION.

St. Petersburg, March 3.—For the first time since the emancipation of the serfs in 1861, the anniversary today was officially observed throughout the empire as a general holiday and with special services in the churches. The newspapers declared the present celebration may be regarded as a turning point in Russian history, marking the recognition of a wider freedom in national life. At a central market of St. Petersburg thousands stood in the open air, uncovered, joining in the chanting of a Te Deum.

MODUS-VIVENDI-PASSED.

St. John's Nfld., March 3.—The lower branch of the colonial legislature today passed unanimously the Anglo-French modus vivendi respecting French shore fisheries for the current year.

PRAIRIE FIRE CAUSES DAMAGE

Oklahoma Territory Visited By a Very Serious Conflagration Yesterday.

Oklahoma City, Okla., March 3.—Driven by a terrific gale from the north, which at times reached a velocity of ninety miles an hour, a prairie fire which swept over seventy-five thousand acres of Comanche county last night, inflicted damage now estimated at \$200,000. The city of Lawton was saved only by the greatest efforts. Kiowa county was also visited by a prairie fire during the storm, while damage is reported from all over the southwest. About \$100,000 worth of farm property has been destroyed.

Guthrie, Okla., March 3.—A great prairie fire today swept the entire country from the Wichita mountains past Lawton. Two men were burned to death and many farm houses and much stock was burned. The Lawton and Fort Hill Indian schools barely escaped. A force of 2,000 people kept the fire

ized that he was violating the state laws. President Smith also testified that Reed Smoot had to get the consent of his associated apostles in the chair before he could become a candidate for senator.

The confession of President Smith was the sensation of the proceedings today before the senate committee of privileges and elections. Mr. Smith said that the manifesto of 1890 left those with plural families in the unfortunate situation of being compelled to defy the law or desert their families. For himself he had preferred to "take chances with the law" rather than to disgrace himself and degrade his family by abandoning his wives and the children that they had borne him. He admitted that he had had children by all of his five wives since the manifesto, and said he had acknowledged them without interference or disturbance from the people of Utah. The defence will take the witness stand tomorrow.

VETERAN POSTMASTER DEAD.

Woodstock, Ont., March 3.—Alexander Rigg McClenaghan, for the past thirty years postmaster at Woodstock, died last night after a short illness, aged 84 years.

News Wanted Of Japanese Fleet

Russian Authorities Puzzled to Locate the Port Arthur Squadron.

Planning to Improve the Slim Line of Com- munications.

St. Petersburg, March 4.—The government is badly puzzled at the apparent disappearance of the Japanese squadron, which has been investing Port Arthur and are inclined to believe that the ships are being coaled and their ammunition supplied in order to begin a renewal of the bombardment at an early date. The report which is being persistently circulated by the "official" news agency that the Japanese have retired, discouraged at their lack of success in damaging the fortress and the serious injury of some of their ships, is laughed at by the best posted of the naval experts here. They point out that the ships of the Japanese squadron have used a great deal of ammunition in their several bombardments of the fortress, and declare that it was to be expected they would have to withdraw to their base in order to load supplies and coal. It is reported that orders have been sent to the commandant at Port Arthur to relax none of his vigilance and not to permit his cruisers and scout boats to venture too far away from their base in endeavoring to locate the enemy.

Russian officers are looking forward confidently to the first battle between the land forces. They declare that the Russian forces in the vicinity of the Yalu are strong enough to contest the points of vantage with the enemy and are placing a great deal of dependence in the strong force of cavalry which General Lenevitch has available for service. It will endeavor to cut the Japanese line of communication and generally harass them without actually participating in a general engagement. The main reliance of the Russian commander will be on his infantry, and he will use the cavalry as an auxiliary and to follow up any advantage that may be gained.

VLADIVOSTOCK IS ACTUALLY ISOLATED

Reported Destruction of Rail- way Line to Harbin is Now Confirmed.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.
Tokio, March 4.—The Japanese consul at Seoul reports a scarcity of food-stuffs there and recommends that various steamships trading with Southern Korea points be permitted to resume operations.

The Japanese prize court has announced the confiscation of seven Russian steamships which have been captured since the war began. The government has decided to continue the regular subsidies to the coastwise lines, although they are all operating at present with character steamers.

The war office has received advice confirming the original report that one and one-half miles of railway between Harbin and Vladivostok has been destroyed and the latter port isolated.

TO HOLD THE FORT A FIRST NECESSITY

Port Arthur to be Held Until the Very Last Is the Opinion of General Staff.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.
London, March 4.—The London Times Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph despatch quotes a high Russian member of the general staff as declaring that no proposition which contemplates the abandonment of Port Arthur could receive the approval of the War Office. "To evacuate Port Arthur," declared the official, "would be the worst disaster that could overtake the Russian arms. It would mean the sinking of the squadron and the turning over of Port Arthur and the entire southern portion of Manchuria to the Japanese. It would mean that the army would have to retreat fighting and expose itself to the risk of capture, while at the same time there would be no chance of an advance to recover the lost ground until Port Arthur was recaptured."

"The main body of the Russian army depends upon Port Arthur holding out and the entire southern portion of Manchuria to the Japanese. It would mean that the army would have to retreat fighting and expose itself to the risk of capture, while at the same time there would be no chance of an advance to recover the lost ground until Port Arthur was recaptured."

BALFOUR DISCLAIMS PROTECTION IDEAS

Denies That He Has Ever Ad- vocated Such a Step at Any Time.

London, March 3.—Premier Balfour aroused both cheers and derisive laughter by the statement in the House of Commons this afternoon that he had never advocated protection either in or outside the cabinet.

The assertion was elicited by the request of Mr. Macdonald (Nationalist) that Mr. Balfour give the public an opportunity of reading his pamphlet advocating protection presented to the cabinet. Mr. Balfour declared that such a pamphlet was not in existence, and added the above intimation that he was not a protectionist.

"Tut, tut, my boy! You must not beat that little dog so, it has been bitten you?" "No, it hasn't. But it's been an swallered my fardlin'!"—Punch.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box, 25 cents.

WEALTHY MAN KIDNAPPED. Prominent Mississippian Held for \$10,000 Ransom.

Houston, Texas, March 3.—Daniel Cushing, aged 32 years, a prominent and wealthy man from Columbus, Miss., was kidnapped by unknown persons last night at Devil's river, where he had gone for his health. A note in his handwriting was found pinned to the door of the railroad station, stating that he had been kidnapped by four men and would be held for a ransom of \$10,000.

The note gave instructions for leaving the money on the steps of the Mexican schoolhouse at Del Rio Tuesday night, March 3. Texas rangers and sheriff's posse are scouring the country.

WINNIPEG NOTES.

Winnipeg, March 3.—Local option was defeated in Rothwell, Man., but in Treherne the attempt to secure hotel licenses failed.

Ex-Constable John Micklejohn has left for Vancouver. He had entered suit against the city in behalf of twelve constables who had recently resigned on account of the feeling towards a sergeant, claiming a month's pay. He got tired waiting.

The old immigration hall will be moved from its present site to a new one by C. P. R. locomotives, preliminary to starting work on a new \$100,000 structure.

FLOODS AVERTED.

Clevedale, Pa., March 3.—A drop of fifty degrees in temperature today saved Clevedale from a disastrous flood from the west branch of the Susquehanna. The water reached a height of 13 feet 6 inches tonight. The New York Central freight and passenger stations have been abandoned and trains are running via the river line because of washouts. All factories and brick works are flooded as well as residences on the west side of Front street. A blizzard is raging here tonight.

It is said that 2,500 Japanese who landed from the Japan warships in Posiet bay are marching southward toward the Korean border. Another force is believed to be penetrating northward towards the Korean border with the evident intention of completing the work of isolating Vladivostok.

Winter Prevents Active Hostilities

No Important Land Battle Now Looked for Until end of Month.

Asserted That Three Separate Japanese Armies are In Korea.

London, March 4.—The general idea among correspondents in the Far East appears to be that no important land battle is expected before the end of March.

A despatch to the Daily Express from Chienpuo, dated March 2nd, says that 15,000 Japanese troops have landed at Chienpuo and gone to Ping Yang. A Harbin correspondent of the Daily Chronicle gives a rumor that 60,000 Japanese have landed at Wonsan.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph asserts that three separate Japanese armies have landed in Korea, and the Paris edition of the New York Herald publishes a report from Chefoo to the effect that six Japanese cruisers, escorting ten transports, have been seen steaming in the direction of the Gulf of Liao Tung.

Nothing in any of these reports is improbable, but it is evident that Japan is maintaining strict secrecy as to her plans.

Under date of March 3, a Chefoo correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says that, although Japan has lost a small cruiser and that the machinery of two of her warships has been damaged, these have probably been fully repaired, and in any event Japan has complete command of the sea and will resume her naval movements, the landing of Japanese troops at the best strategic positions and the occupation of territory near Port Dalny as soon as the winter moderates. He predicts that, having crossed the Yalu, one army of the Japanese will threaten Kirin, cutting the railroad and menacing Vladivostok while the second force deals with the Liao Tung peninsula.

According to the Chefoo correspondent of the Morning Post, a Japanese battleship has run aground near Chienpuo.

Refugees from Port Arthur, the Nagasaki correspondent of the Times claims, believe there were thirty thousand troops there in the middle of February. They report that the ten thousand Russian troops who were despatched to Korea the beginning of February were so ill-equipped with transports and supplies that it was thought they would be compelled to return.

"The say also that the Russians treated the Japanese at Port Arthur so brutally that they fled to the shore, embarked in small harbor boats and endeavored to reach Port Dalny. Several were drowned."

ALEXIEFF FEELS STRONG.

Telegram From Home Infuses Determination to Fight to the Death.

St. Petersburg, March 3.—In reply to a telegram sent to him by General Bogdanovich, Viceroy Alexieff says: "Your message has strengthened our unshakable determination to fight until the death for faith, the Czar and the country." The Czarina today inspected with much interest the hospital train of thirteen cars with a capacity of 100 men and officers besides attendants, which is ready to be sent to the front with the cars which are going out under the auspices of Grand Duchess Tatlin Vicholavna.

Gilbert—I went to the lunatic asylum yesterday. Noyes—And they let you come away? Perhaps the places were all taken?—Boston Transcript.

Outrages By The Russians

Refugees From Port Arthur Re- late Terrible Tales of Cruelty.

Many Women Drowned in the Endeavor to Escape to Dalny.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

London, March 4.—A special to the Times says refugees from Port Arthur report that 10,000 Russian troops, who were despatched to the Korean border early in February are said to have been so ill equipped that they are expected to be ordered to return to Mukden for fresh equipment. It is claimed by these refugees that there were in Port Arthur and the surrounding country at the opening of hostilities not less than 30,000 troops.

Some of the Japanese refugees from Port Arthur who were given passage on the London Times steamer Hainan from Wei-Hai-Wei gave a pitiful description of indignities inflicted on fellow countrymen by the Russian soldiers on the afternoon following the naval engagement. The soldiers completely looted the Japanese quarter, returning to their barracks with their booty in plain sight and without receiving a reproval from their officers, despite the fact that Admiral Alexieff had promised to protect all Japanese who remained in the town. The sight of the loot impelled other soldiers to undertake expeditions to the Japanese quarter where, finding the houses already looted, they robbed the

The difficulties of Siberian Transportation.



CROSSING LAKE BAIKAL, IN WINTER.
FROM THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS.

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said, has disappeared. Mr. Allison is sick with nervous prostration.

Among other warrants issued are two for William Allen, chief architect for Boggs & Neville, and Frederick Holm, an iron worker foreman for Pole & Schwander. Shirley Greene says his brother, William W. Greene, 63 years of age, foreman of the cement and iron construction of the Darlington building, was last seen in the building and is supposed to be among the dead. James Halpin, foreman of the iron construction of the Darlington building, Building Inspector French and others were examined today by Assistant District Attorney Train.

The officials of the district attorney's office have been unable to locate many of the missing witnesses whose testimony will be required when the full investigation of the disaster is taken up. Building Inspector French said that the violations of the building laws by him were corrected by the contractor from time to time. None of these violations were responsible for the collapse.

A VICIOUS PRINCE.

Heartless Cruelty Leads to Enquiry as to His Sanity.

Berlin, March 3.—Inquiry into the sanity of Lieut. Prince Von Arnheim, now undergoing sentence for cruelty to natives while in command of a post in German South Africa brought out the fact that the Prince's likes and dislikes are not in the least subject to inflict pain. One witness said that when eight-years-old the young Prince delighted to destroy the feet of cats and then set dogs upon them.

ALL TRAINS SNOWBOUND.

Ashland, Wis., March 3.—The fall of snow is heavy and drifts so high that not a passenger train has been sent out of this city for twenty-four hours.

Chicago, March 3.—Michigan towns report heavy snow with railroad traffic stopped.

In Indiana numerous floods are reported, the water being a foot deep in the streets of Parkland.

KOREAN INTRIGUE.

Opposition to Treaty Results in Bomb-throwing in Seoul.

Tokio, March 4.—An intrigue on the part of the opposition at Seoul against the conclusion of the Japanese-Korean protocol, culminated in the throwing of bombs at the residence of the foreign minister and his secretary at 1 o'clock this (Thursday) morning. They escaped uninjured.

Viscount Aoki will leave here for Korea tomorrow on a mission of importance which relates to reforms in that country.

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RUSSIAN SUBMARINES. Ten Vessels of English Type to be Con- structed Immediately.

Paris, March 4.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris says the Newbury shipyards are about to begin the construction of ten submarine vessels of the English type. Work on these ships will be pushed with all speed.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Matin telegraphs that Admiral Makaroff has arrived at Port Arthur.

The Harbin correspondent of the Matin says that a detachment of Japanese cavalry, commanded by Vitchemo Calenter Moshane, has entered Mai Pur Chan in south Manchuria, close to the Korean border. It is alleged here, he continues, that sixty thousand Japanese have now been landed at Wonsan, their objective point being Manchuria. In Korea the weather is cold. The sea is still rough around Port Arthur.

COCHRANE'S SUCCESSOR.

Montreal, March 3.—It is stated here on good authority that Wm. Mitchell, of Deschambault, is to be called to the Senate in the place of the late Senator Cochrane.

DEATH OF KEENAN NEW YORK'S BOODLER

Manipulator of the Notorious Street Railway Franchise Passes Away.

New York, March 3.—John Keenan, well known in the days of the famous "boodler" board of alderman as the "Bismarck of the county Democracy," died today at his home in Jolles, N. Y., where he had been living with his children for several years. John Keenan was the head and front of the boodler conspiracy by which the board of aldermen of 1884 was bribed to give the Broadway railroad franchise to Jacob Sharp. He was the man who held the bribe fund and appropriated the money to the members of the board. He was one of the famous "boodler" colony in Canada, where he fled just before his indictment.

Keenan was born in Ireland, but came here when he was three years old. He made his entrance into poli-

tics through Tammany Hall, which sent him to the assembly in 1875.

Resigning from Tammany Hall, Keenan became one of the organizers of the county Democracy.

When the true story of the bribing began to leak out and the grand jury got to work, the historic rush of aldermen for Canada began. Keenan stayed behind as long as he dared, and then left for the Dominion. This was in the spring of 1886, and it was not until September of that year that he was indicted with Jacob Sharp, Richmond Kerr, Forsyth and Maloney.

When Colonel Fellows was elected district attorney, Keenan returned to New York, was arrested and held on \$40,000 bail, but for his work in the bribery transactions Keenan never spent a day in prison. Soon after his return the indictments against him were quashed. District Attorney Fellows refused to prosecute him.

In recent years Keenan had dropped out of sight, his bad health and his fallen fortune driving him into practical exile.

TORONTO NOTES.

Many thousand dollars damage was done in the city last night by a heavy downpour of rain accompanied by thunder and lightning. Sidewalks and gutters already overflowing with water from the melting snow were converted into lakes and rivers, and as a result acres of business place in the downtown section had their cellars flooded. The electrical element in the storm played havoc generally and burned out many wires of the electric light company and also dis-

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COULDN'T STAND THAT.

Minks—What fad is your wife following now?

Winks—She is organizing anti-suffrage associations.

"Humph! I thought she was in favor of woman suffrage!"

"She was, but I told her one day in a joke, that Congress was going to compel all women to vote."—New York Weekly.

GROWING FEELING AGAINST GOVERNMENT

Incapacity of Russian General Staff Now Causes Intense Dissatisfaction.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

Moscow, March 3.—(Via the Frontier) The feeling against the government caused by the incapacity of the Russian commanders is growing more intense. The comprehensiveness of the Japanese plans serve more and more to show the inefficiency of the Russian general staff and its plans for the retention of Manchuria and the invasion of Korea.

UNPUBLISHED HISTORY.

Eve was evincing her woman's curiosity.

"How did you feel when you first saw me?" asked the First Woman, coyly.

"Cut up," answered Adam, placing his hand on his side.

"Which shows that even the antediluvians had a sense of humor."

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Time Table No. 49, Taking Effect Thursday Oct. 29

Northbound Leave.	Daily A. M.	Southbound Northbound Leave.	Sat., Sun. and Wed. P. M.	Southbound Arrive.	P. M.
Victoria.....	9:00	12:00 Victoria.....	3:00	7:00	
Shawnigan Lake.....	10:20	10:43 Shawnigan Lake.....	4:20	6:40	
Duncan.....	11:30	10:02 Duncan.....	5:30	6:00	
Ladysmith.....	11:57	9:10 Ladysmith.....	6:05	4:00	
Nanaimo.....	12:40	8:20 Nanaimo.....	6:41	3:15	
Ar. Wellington.....	12:53	Lv. 8:00 Ar. Wellington.....	7:03	Lv. 8:00	

THROUGH TICKETS VICTORIA TO ALBERNI.

Via Westholme. Stage leaves daily, connecting with north and south bound trains. Double stage service Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays, connecting with morning and afternoon trains. Fare from Victoria, single, \$2.00; return, \$3.00.

THROUGH TICKETS VICTORIA TO ALBERNI.

Stage leaves Nanaimo Tuesdays and Fridays on arrival of train from Victoria. Fare from Victoria, single \$5.20; return, \$8.65.

Ten trip Commutation Tickets, Victoria to Shawnigan Lake, only \$5.00.

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WM. W. NORTHCOOT, Purchasing Agent for the Corporation. City Hall, Victoria, B. C., Feb. 27th, 1904.

Will be received by the undersigned for 1 single and 1 double sprinkler, made and delivered complete to the Corporation of the City of Victoria in accordance with specification and catalogue, to be seen at the office of the undersigned, to whom tenders must be addressed and delivered not later than 3 o'clock p. m., on Monday, March 14th next.

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WM. W. NORTHCOOT, Purchasing Agent for the Corporation. City Hall, Victoria, B. C., Feb. 27th, 1904.

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"There is no reason in the world why the exhibition of 1904 at Victoria, under the auspices of the British Columbia Agricultural Association, should not be the most successful in every respect ever held in this city. All that is required is good, hard, active work on the part of the citizens."

Mr. Barnard, a Colonist reporter yesterday afternoon. Asked what he thought was the outlook for the annual agricultural event, his worship displayed the greatest enthusiasm and gave every evidence of being seized with a determination to take a special interest in seeing that the show is made a huge success. He said in the course of his remarks:

"There is a special reason why Victorians should put forth a particular effort to make this year's show a great success. As you know, we are making an effort to secure for this city the big Dominion exhibition of 1905, and I know that we have an excellent chance of getting it. But a factor in our chances for success in this connection will be the manner in which we display our ability this year to conduct a successful show. I learn that the Ottawa

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GOOD FEBRUARY SCHOOL RECORD

Attendance Last Month Was Excellent in All Save the Primary Classes.

Except in the lowest primary classes the school attendance during last month was excellent. Some of the schools, however, make rather a poor showing in a comparison of averages, because of a week's absence of the Chinese pupils. South Park School, which has the highest school average, the percentage being 91.82, the West school comes next, with 90.65 per cent. The high school follows with 90.58 per cent. These are the only schools that reached the 90 per cent mark. The average per cent for the whole city was 89.12. The total number present during the month being 2,745.

Following are the totals for all the schools:

Schools	Attendance	Boys	Girls
High School	211	96	115
Boys' School	550	550	
Girls' School	441		441
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Victoria West	217	98	119
Spring Ridge	176	103	73
Hillside	133	82	51
Kingsford Street	139	88	51
Rock Bay	88	37	51
	2745	1478	1267

An average of 90 per cent was reached by individual divisions as follows: High School—Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

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The increase in the Central school is noticeable, the decrease in the Victoria West and North Ward is due to the exclusion this year of the non-resident pupils.

Master-at-Arms Deserts—H. M. S. Flora minus her master-at-arms. He evidently found the climate of Esquimaut not to his taste. For on Tuesday night last he boarded one of the Seattle boats and, by bluffing one of the officers on board that he was going to Seattle to arrest deserters, he managed to reach the Sound city. Recently he walked into a Johnson street saloon and told the bartender that he had been held up on Esquimaut road and robbed of \$50 belonging to some bluejacket friends. A reward of \$500 is offered for his arrest. Two stokers got adrift yesterday; they were located by the city police and put on board.

F. Goldie, Saanich; B. Wunle, Dawson, and E. and Mrs. Dalley, Nicola Lake, are at the Vernon.

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JAPAN'S GOOD SHIPS.

Japan's modern ships are exclusively of British design. The battleships, speaking generally, are of Sir William White's celebrated Royal Sovereign and Majestic classes, modified by the dates when they were built; while the armored cruisers are largely the creation of the mind of Mr. Philip Watts, now Director of Naval Construction in England, and formerly designer to Messrs Armstrong, Whitworth & Co., and were far in advance in every way of ships built for the British Navy at the same time. One of the battleships, the Mikasa, led the world in the adoption of the modern box battery system for the secondary armament, which we in the British Navy have since adopted as being superior to casemates. This revolution was also due to an Englishman, Mr. Dunn, the naval designer of the Victoria class. The ships, it may also be noted, are almost exclusively the outcome of honest British labor, and the same term cannot be applied to all labor in foreign shipyards, judging by the time which some men-of-war take in getting through their steam and other trials.

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Mr. J. Knight, H. G. Thomson, Fred T. Moore and M. H. McNeill, are at the Vernon. Among the guests at the Victoria are P. J. Pearson, Chemist; D. E. Brockbank, San Francisco; J. Fyfe, Toronto, and E. J. Conway, of Montreal.

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Joan of Arc At Centennial

Very Successful Performance of Gaul's Famous Historical Cantata.

Solos and Chorus are Given With Great Spirit and Effect.

In Centennial Methodist church last evening Gaul's interesting cantata, "Joan of Arc," was given by a choir of seventy voices, assisted by Mrs. W. E. Green, soprano; Mr. H. Ives, tenor; and Mr. Gideon Hicks, baritone. Miss E. Hicks presided at the piano, and Mr. Jesse A. Longfield at the organ. Mr. William Hicks conducted. The attendance of the public was large, but the merit of the work deserved a much larger audience.

It was noted, as a point of interest, that a whole bunch full of fine-looking and very respectable Chinese citizens listened with quiet attention and evident enjoyment to the whole cantata, setting an example of good behavior which, unhappily, was not copied by some of the white listeners on the back benches as closely as it might have been. In fact, the behavior of those persons contributed handsomely to ruining the whole evening's enjoyment for musical people who happened, by cruel fate, to be seated within earshot of their "good manies."

On the whole, the cantata was well sung last evening, although both Mrs. Green and Mr. Ives were suffering from slight colds and, therefore, not up to their usual high standard of excellence. In spite of this, however, they delighted the audience exceedingly. Mrs. Green's splendid singing being encored persistently.

Mr. Hicks is certainly to be complimented upon his work. He sang the choruses, which he sang readily and emphasized where directed. The basses, led by Mr. Arthur Wheeler, bass soloist at the Metropolitan, acquitted themselves admirably. Especially in the grand chorus of the French men-at-arms. This is one of the most beautiful spots in the cantata, in fact probably the most melodious number in the book. It is full of fine, contrapuntal effects, and the instrumental and choral and the time was excellently maintained throughout. The ladies of the chorus deserve praise for the manner in which they did their work. Under Mr. Hicks' skilled guidance there was no question that the chorus, as now composed, could soon undertake much more difficult pieces than "Joan of Arc."

Taken altogether, the work of the chorus, as a whole, surpassed expectations of those who knew the difficulty and exacting character of Gaul's music, went to Centennial prepared to hear something much less fine than was actually heard there last evening. Mr. Hicks should feel encouraged to attempt still more with that capable little body of sweet singers.

Of the solos the finest were Mrs. Green's recitative as Joan "They Sleep," and song, "A Ring a Ring a Ring," and later in the cantata, "I am a woman," where she and the voices musically and mournfully hold final communion. Mrs. Green's work is truly artistic, and it is always a treat and a privilege to listen to her cultured and musical voice.

Then must be mentioned Mr. Gideon Hicks' triumph in the bold, warrior-like song as Robert de Baudricourt, "Who Would Fight for Freedom?" He had to respond to an enthusiastic and well-deserved encore. In the duet with Philip (Mr. Ives) Mr. Hicks, as Jean de Nevelmont, again won hearty applause, as did also Mr. Ives for his capable work. Another bit of the cantata that catches the memory with its fine music and real merit, is the cathedral chorus, "Ave Maria." Gaul, being mainly a writer of religious music, and a very successful one, too, it was to be expected that he would make good use of this portion of the tragic story, and he has. It was beautifully done by the chorus, who deserve all praise for their painstaking and clever performance.

As already stated, Mr. Hicks and his splendid little company need feel no hesitation in taking full credit to themselves for providing a first-rate and most enjoyable evening's entertainment, and the hope has been very generally expressed that the cantata will be heard again soon, and, if possible, in a hall nearer the centre of the city, when, no doubt, the attendance would be somewhat more commensurate with the sterling merits of the piece and the talents of the singers.

Seventy German poets in Berlin entered into a union, refusing to accept less than 10 cents a line for their rhymes.

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THE WAR.

The news from the seat of war still continues to be meagre and to some extent contradictory. It now appears that the report of another attack on Port Arthur was either entirely without foundation or much exaggerated. At the same time taking all the reports from Russian, Japanese and neutral sources together there cannot be much doubt that the Russians have suffered very severely in the early weeks of the campaign, while the Japanese have apparently secured substantial advantages at a very slight cost either in men or material. There can be no doubt now that the Russians were unprepared for a declaration of war. They relied on their diplomats to keep the negotiations going on until they were ready for actual operations. Evidently they thought that they and not the Japanese would start the ball and they have not recovered from the mistake that subsequent events have shown they made.

The report that the Russians intend to abandon Port Arthur after they have sunk the men-of-war (as they did at Sebastopol in the Crimean war) is not unlikely to be true, although it may be premature. The Japanese seem to have control of the sea and to have blockaded Vladivostok as well as Port Arthur. The Russians are, therefore, entirely dependent on the railway for supplies and reinforcements. Even if the despatch from Tokyo that we published yesterday, that a mile and a quarter of the railway between Vladivostok and Harbin had been destroyed by the Japanese, does not prove to be correct, it is certain that the difficulties of transportation must be extremely great. To withdraw from Port Arthur and concentrate their strength at Harbin until they are in a position to move with a force larger than that which the Japanese can bring against them, may be the wisest move for the Russians to make in the present situation. The severe weather, of course, increases their difficulties, although we are inclined to regard the reports as to the sickness and suffering among the Russian troops as greatly exaggerated.

Meanwhile it is tolerably certain—although they succeed in hiding their dispositions in a remarkable manner—that the Japanese are throwing large bodies of troops into Korea, and occupying certain strategic points, which will give them a great advantage when the land campaign opens. The Russian design to use their fleet at Port Arthur to prevent the Japanese troops from landing on the shores of the gulf and threatening their flank has been foiled by the damage done to their vessels by the Japanese attack.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

Now that the Panama canal treaty is ratified by the Senate, the United States Government is beginning to take steps looking towards the actual carrying out of this great undertaking. There are some legal difficulties apparently to be overcome in regard to the transfer of the uncompleted work from the French Company, but there does not appear to be any doubt at Washington about these being overcome. Nor is there any anxiety felt there in regard to any legal action Colombia may take. So all seems to be in trim for actual construction. This, however, it is realized, requires the consideration of many practical problems caused by the character of the country and the climate. Under the work carried on by the French Company the loss of life was very great. The French laborers who were engaged on it died like flies. So it is realized why any men sent to labor there unless millions of money are spent first on sanitation works. The towns of Colon and Panama must be cleansed as nearly every house is infected with the germs of yellow fever and smallpox. The swamps around the towns must be drained and water systems constructed. Sanitation work like that successfully carried out in Havana and Manila must be done. Then the question of labor is a very difficult one. It is estimated that it will take the labor of perhaps 50,000 men for eight years to complete the canal. West India negroes would be efficient for such work, but it is not thought that more than 15,000 would be available. Negroes from the Southern States have been suggested, but it is doubtful if they would go. White men are scarcely likely to be willing to work under the climatic conditions prevailing on the Isthmus. Chinese and Japanese have also been considered, but the former could not be admitted to what is now American territory except by a special act of Congress. If Chinese are employed medical men have pointed out that precautions must be taken to prevent any Chinese returning home from carrying with them the germs of yellow fever—a disease hitherto not known in the Orient. If it did get a footing there, under existing conditions the result might be appalling.

All these preliminary matters being settled, the engineering problems will demand consideration. The greatest is the Culebra cut, where the canal pierces the Cordillera range. A cutting has already been made 200 feet deep and of great width. It will require to be excavated 100 feet more. It is estimated that on this work about fifty million cubic metres of earth have been excavated, leaving about forty-three million

more to be removed before the backbone of the Isthmus will have been broken. The general situation is something like this: Fourteen miles on the Atlantic side and four miles on the Pacific are full of water and only require to be dredged deeper. It is stated that in places these excavations have become so shallow from silt that a boat can touch the bottom. Subtracting this eighteen miles from the total length of forty-nine miles, leaves thirty-one miles to be constructed. Of this twenty-one miles will be created by damming the Chagres river at Bohio with a dam 1,200 feet long. This will form a lake of 13,000 acres in extent, fifty-two feet above the sea level. Then there will be locks dropping vessels about forty feet. Then an interval of less than two miles and then more locks lowering the vessels to sea level about eight miles from Panama. It may be found that locks or lifts for large vessels are impracticable. If so more money and time must be expended and a sea level canal like that at Suez, must be constructed.

It is estimated that the French Company excavated 84,000,000 cubic metres of earth and that the canal is between one-third and one-half dug. The company spent about \$50,000,000 in the work; nearly \$200,000,000 were either stolen or wasted. All along the line of the canal are dredgers and other plant rusting and rotting. Locomotives and cars, scows overturned and machinery of all kinds. Corruption and mismanagement must have been everywhere on the work. The United States government is to pay the company \$40,000,000 and the Republic of Panama \$10,000,000. The canal commission estimates that it will require about \$145,000,000 more to complete the work. Although this will be much more than the Suez canal cost there is no reason to believe that the enterprise will not be worth the amount expended on it since it will provide a waterway between the East and the West that must become a great maritime route. It is impossible to forecast what effect it will have on existing trade routes, but it cannot fail to bring about great changes and to no countries greater than to those on the littoral of the Pacific ocean.

THE AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.

Although it is some months yet before the time of the year at which our agricultural exhibitions are usually held, it is not too soon to call the attention of the citizens to the matter. It is of especial importance that this year's exhibition should be very successful, having regard to the fact that unless that is the case, the prospect of getting the Dominion Exhibition here next year would be very poor. The good people of New Westminster are putting forth great efforts to secure the prize and unless Victoria displays even greater energy, they may be successful. With a good exhibition this year, the chances for Victoria would be favorable. It will, therefore, be seen that nothing must be left undone to make this year's exhibition the finest and largest that has ever been held in Victoria. But to achieve that will require considerable money and unless the citizens contribute liberally that cannot be obtained. The Mayor and committee will begin the work of collecting subscriptions almost immediately, and it is to be hoped that they will meet with a liberal response. The result last year showed what can be done, but this year, for the reason we have named, anything in the past should be surpassed. If the citizens will regard the matter as one in which they all have a direct and personal interest—and the fact that the Dominion Exhibition was held here would benefit everyone who has any interest in the city—we have no doubt that the subscriptions to the fund will be so large as to ensure this year's exhibition being a great success and the prospects for the still greater scheme for next year very favorable. The committee will make a thorough canvass and it is to be hoped that the citizens will give a generous response to its appeal.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

DUNDONALD'S GIFTS.

Sir,—Whilst enjoying my after-dinner pipe yesterday I noticed in your evening paper an item of news which I have no doubt is of considerable interest to the public. That Lord Dundonald has sent the captain and officers of the Queen's box of cigars each. What kindly munificence and how modestly it is recorded. While I can fully appreciate the kindness of His Lordship in sending the cigars I think it is extremely bad form for the recipients of such a simple matter of courtesy to record it as a public event. I am quite sure had Lord Dundonald traveled in H. M. S. Flora and M. E. Express, he had given Captain Baker or Captain Parry a box of cigars, those gentlemen would not have inserted the act in the public press. These items of news savor so much of the gossamer and the public having heard of the Eastern country newspapers that I am sure they can be dispensed with here, where the papers are never at a loss for interesting news. I also noticed in the same paragraph that Lord Dundonald, before leaving the Queen, kindly tipped the captain and officers the sum of \$25. Shades of stewards and waiters support us.

WATCHER.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Sir,—I am prepared to admit that rushing into print is very indiscreet and poor policy, but when men lose heart, and become discouraged, they, like the proverbial rat, will turn when driven to the wall. The subject now under consideration by our municipal fathers offers us an opportunity for the presentation of a few solid facts for the earnest consideration of the Mayor and the wardens, the Board of Aldermen, the fire underwriters and the general public. I refer to municipal salaries. But I will only deal with the subject in so far as it touches the service I am interested in, the permanent staff of the fire department. So far this year we have made no demand of the City Council. We consider it almost useless to do so. Year after year we have met with promises, have hoped against hope, right thinking persons and the public press have upheld us in our demands, but invariably the answer was like the remark made at the last council meeting, "Impossible we need the money to fix the streets." So, then, we must suffer to repair the streets. Why not pay us living wages and make us all citizens pay for the streets. Since our salary was reduced we have been forced to pay higher wages for rent, meats, bacon, birds, etc. flour, coal oil, in fact, most everything, and I do not exaggerate when I say dissatisfaction is demoralizing as well as indifference, of your fire department. While we were refused our just dues, well-salaried officials at the City Hall who took from 9 to 14, extra money on holidays, received substantial increases. Most persons know what salary a permanent member of Victoria's fire department receives, i.e., \$80 per month. But do they know the service rendered by our firemen? Is it not the fact that all, twenty-four hours a day, is sacrificed in actual duty by a permanent fireman in this city. Yes, they do allow us an hour to eat our meals, but to do it in that time we must live in a room regardless of the difference in rent, or choice of houses,

etc., etc., with no option of renting a house anywhere according to our means. But no matter we live here or there, and we manage to go home and dine and have a chat with our loved ones at home a few minutes each day—unless the fire bell rings; that happens quite often; well then, we simply get no dinner, or if just taken, we run with it and sick of it, when a little smoke and water tends to lighten our stomach and we feel better in the knowledge that it's for the sake of the city and the public. The amount of work we do each day, besides the 24 hours constant, in respect of fires, depends a great deal on circumstances. But I can dispose of that question easily by simply pointing out the alarm of fire, coming to the fire engine, the stables and otherwise attending to and feeding our horses, we can then breakfast ourselves, after which horses must be exercised. The sweating horses and dirty harnesses as well as bits, traces, etc., etc., must be cleaned, polished and brightened. Horses and appliances must be put in order, and if there have been no recent fires we may get through our work by noon, or we may have to work until 4 or 5 o'clock, but always up to noon. After fires we are busy for days, and hardly have things in shape when it must be all done over again. But no matter how heavy our work, are we ever allowed a quitting time? To go home to our families, to have an evening stroll? We may have worked all day, and have our work all undone by an alarm of fire, coming to the fire engine, ourselves all grimy and chilled to the very marrow in our bones with cold and wet, tired out, with our eyes sore from the stinging hot smoke. Can we look forward to a knocking off time? No, we must refresh ourselves at our own fireside. But we go back to work, no matter what the rain, and straighten things out, for there may be another fire, and who knows what to expect from us even if they don't know what it is worth. Once things are in shape, then we can either continue our work cleaning up or if at night, go back to bed with our dirt, for the prospects of a bath are all in the fire department. You sometimes meet a fireman at an evening social. Have you never seen him suddenly leave the company with a hurried good-bye to wife as the fire bell rings? And yet, do you know that although he has worked from 6:30 a. m. till midnight, he could not be at that concert without first getting the dollars and cents he gets to a competent substitute to take his place for the evening, leaving to the substitute one dollar for the hard day's work? I mention this to prove that we get \$2 for twenty-four hours work. Those are some of our duties; how about the risk to life and limb? Every time that bell rings we take our lives into our hands, as witness the many accidents we have had. Our city fathers cannot see our risk, but our own at home wait anxiously for the return of the apparatus, for they are family men, and the details of our many narrow escapes. Every day we read of fatal accidents among firemen throughout the country, and it is more through good luck than lack of danger that Victoria has escaped. Certain it is that in our eagerness to serve our city in the saving of life and property, we think not of ourselves. "Our aim is the public good." Now let us make a few comparisons. It is evident that our work-day is twenty-four hours. We asked the fourteenth day's building work, a year to be put on an equal footing with another service who are better paid and work eight-hour shifts. Their hours are long enough and their pay none too high. We were given ten days in spite of the fact that any time day or night we must pay a substitute if we want to get away from the smell of horses and stable. This is so bad that our own people turn from us at times, and we even have to sleep in it. It has been denounced by respectable physicians as unhealthy, and the great amount of illness among the permanent firemen last year and in previous years was caused by no other reason than too much confinement; our best doctors tell us, and the shame of it, four days was refused us when the whole City Hall staff and other branches get 14 days every night in the week as well as all Sundays and holidays, with better pay in the bargain. Young ladies teaching school get as good and better pay and are their way home when our labors are hardly begun. Another service get two uniforms a year with good boots. Right! Why not the firemen? Why ruin more clothes than we need? It must get out of bed at all hours and in all weather? You would like to see us look dressy, but I have ruined as many good dresses as I can afford. Our boots get water-soaked and burnt, but we can not even get a pair of gum boots to turn out with at night, which would be an advantage to the city, as they are required for hurried dressing. It kills time to lace up ordinary shoes. But what can we do? It has been years since anything like boots or bedding were provided. We are compelled to put in all our time at the fire hall, even to sleeping there, but make a pilgrimage from our hall to another, and see the conglomeration of beds and bedding, but don't forget to ask which belongs to the city and which we furnish. This is the first department I have ever heard of where men provided bedding and had to pay to have it laundered. Our pay was reduced some years ago with a promise that it would be restored. We never got a cent of it, while every other branch has received some increase. In other cities it is arranged to raise the pay as men remain longer in the service, when no doubt they become better and more valuable. It is an inducement for them to stay. We have men who have been in this department all the way from one year to fourteen years. But how is it done here? Those who have been longest in the service have suffered a cut. Do you wonder at there being dissatisfaction and discord in the fire department. Is it surprising that there are many changes in the service, which, to quote the Daily Times of 1st Inst., is second to none of this city when the pay for faithful service in cold or rain, wind or snow, at day or night, is eight and one-half cents an hour? With a big discount on that sum for loss of sleep, extra rent, and engaging substitutes. No wonder the firemen are beginning to give their attention to politics instead of fire fighting. Politics it has been long, then put it in bold type that no man who has a job in the sewers quits his job to become a politician.

VICTORIA, B. C., March 3rd, 1904.

PROVINCIAL PRESS.

A reporter of the Times had the pleasure of being shown through the works of Trout Lake as the summer resort, by the affable and obliging general manager, Fred. Koller. One may read and read about one of these great institutions and not begin to realize what a massive and stupendous affair it is. One must see it to know it. He does not wonder what has been done with the nearly half a million dollars which have been expended in its establishment; and then when he is told of contemplated additional expenditure for enlarging it, he must come to the conclusion that the investors who have devoted their wealth for the preservation of the great enterprise, have had great faith in the mineral deposits of the country tributary to it. Especially in this camp.—Greenwood Times.

While the merchants of Yule are complaining of hard times, the hard line of railway is considering the advantage of putting on a special train to carry in the Timothy Eaton and Eastern departmental store orders to the camp.—Ymir Mirror.

The saying that straw puts the way the wind blows is old, but nevertheless true. Straws are today all pointing to the fact that the mining common centre for the Lardner country, mining companies, financial institutions and merchants are recognizing the fact that Trout Lake is a geographical position commands the future in store for us on the bright horizon. The fact is that the mineral deposits in view of the above facts.—Trout Lake Topics.

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The school trustees of Revelstoke have done good work, and we dislike asking them to undertake greater burdens, but we believe it would be a great boon to the teachers and children attending the city school if the services of Mr. Dunnell, superintendent of manual training, could be secured for a few weeks. Mr. Dunnell's work in clay modelling and brush drawing is excellent, and he has the ability to impart his art to his pupils.—Kootenay Mail.

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The two youngest daughters of Ed. Disney, contractor, of Grand Forks, formerly of Trail, met with a painful accident on Tuesday. While driving home with a toboggan and horse, in company with several other children, the horse took fright and ran away. All the other children rolled off, but the little Disney girls, aged 9 and 13, remained on until the toboggan struck a telegraph pole. Both were thrown violently and rendered unconscious. They were taken to their home and medical aid summoned, when it was found that the youngest had concussion of the brain, and the other one had her nose broken, face, head and mouth cut.—Trail Creek News.

ROLL CALL IN KOREA.
(Milwaukee Sentinel.)

Slowly died the last red sunbeam, slowly came the hush of night,
Where the moon-shine was strong and of the bearded Muscovite
Broke the landscape's rolling contour in a fair Korean vale;
Many a warrior's heart was heavy, many away from the land of their birth,
For the bloody fight was o'er,
Silenced was the cannon's roar,
All was quiet as a form without a soul;
And, before the call of taps,
Several uncommissioned claps
Volunteered half-heartedly to call the roll.
Major Hithedopecky, present;
Major Fourhundredsky, here;
Brave old Spikethengsky, absent;
Bugler Blowsky standing near.
Punkered is here, and Salsky.
Up spoke Quartermaster Blinsky;
"Can't lose me, boys, never fear!"

Present, too, were Bobbittstraighsky, Aevensky, Blufford,
Cushionensky, Pingpongsky,
Vladimir Oculensky, absent;
Butterinsky, Maltescatsky,
Largeroff and Antifatsky.
Ivan Caseyathetatsky,
And the selfish Feintroff.

Not to mention many more with appellations much the same,
Who retorted "Here" and "Present" when the time to answer came.

Slowly spread the crimson sunrise, and the birds in the trees
Sang a song that sounded bully to the Muscovite and his comrades;
"By my beardsky!" muttered he,
"Twas a glorious victory!"
Valiant Spikethengsky had to go, poor soul;
But the only other chap
Was the uncommissioned yep
Who succumbed to lockjaw when he called the roll!"

MEN AND THINGS.

When Patti visited Philadelphia the other day an attachment for nearly \$9,000 was issued against the expected receipts of a concert, whereupon Patti declined to sing and the attachment failed.

Hudson's Bay is the third largest enclosed marine sea in the world, being next in size to the Mediterranean Sea and the Caribbean Sea, and a bill is now before the Ottawa Parliament to change its name to the Canadian Sea, "for good political and national reasons, and to assert Canadian supremacy over the waters of the bay and the adjoining territory."—New York Tribune.

They say Lady Wimborne's drawing room is now the greatest and most brilliant political salon in London, and that the Duchess of Devonshire is likely to carry off for her husband the prize of the premiership from the coalition ministry ladies. We commend the wisdom of these London ladies to our strong-minded sisters here at home. The London ladies don't vote, and they don't want to vote. They prefer to make votes and And they seem to know how.—Boston Herald.

In all countries more marriages take place in June than in any other month.

By an edict of the minister of agriculture in Hungary the exportation of living game or eggs is prohibited.

A good authority on horses says that the gray will live the longest and that roans come next in order. Blacks seldom live to be over 20, and creams rarely exceed 10 or 15.

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SPORTS

WRESTLING.

Grand Sport Promised on Monday. The wrestling matches on Monday promise to be of more than passing interest and all the participants are busy training for their respective battles. Jack O'Neil has engaged to put five men down in an hour or forfeit \$25, and the sailors have determined to at least make him work to save his money. "Two Feathers" is getting better of his cold and is practicing daily with his manager. Up to date he has never been beaten but one in a best two out of three match, and that once by Goteh, the champion of the world. It is freely predicted that given more experience "Two Feathers" will make a strong bid for that honor himself. His opponent, D. A. McMillan, has already admitted this and knows he has all his work cut out to save himself from being thrown three times in the hour. In any case, win or lose, "Two Feathers" and his manager are very plucky and do not seem to mind giving decent odds. It is safe to predict a large house on Monday evening at the Victoria theatre.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

Game at Barracks on Saturday. When the Victoria and Garrison eleven meet at the Barracks on Saturday afternoon, it is expected that one of the hottest games ever witnessed here will



CHIEF "TWO FEATHERS."

take place. If the soldiers win, they will be entitled to five points, while Victoria will be credited with two. On the other hand, if the Victoria boys are successful they will have four points to the Garrison's three. If the struggle results in a draw, the soldiers will have four points and Victoria three. It is easy to understand that with so much depending upon the result, each side will make every effort to win, and as there is very little to choose between the teams, those who are fortunate enough to see the contest will enjoy a treat indeed.

The Victoria line-up as follows: Goal, P. Jones; full back, A. Goward (captain); N. Gower; half backs, J. Thompson, S. Lorimer, W. York; forwards, Lieut. Lewis, B. Tye, Rev. H. A. Collinson, J. Lott, M. Mearns. The local players are particularly requested to catch the 2:35 car from the corner of Government and Yates streets.

BASKETBALL.

Executive Decide for Fernwoods.

A meeting of the executive of the Victoria City Basketball League was held in the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening to consider the report forwarded to them by Referee S. Porter in regard to the senior league game played at the Drill hall last Saturday evening between the V. W. A. A. and F. Y. M. A. teams. The meeting was a protracted one, the final decision being that the statement of the Fernwood time keeper, Mr. P. Marchant, was confirmed, and in consequence the final goal scored by the V. W. A. A. team does not count, the game going to the F. Y. M. A. team by a score of 2-7. The Victoria West team has not therefore obtained the enviable reputation of having won all their league games this season. Nevertheless their record is by no means bad, and they are confident of obtaining championship honors, to be only defeated once in a season, and then by a bare point is a record any team on earth might well be proud of, and Victoria is proud of the Victoria West Athletic Association basketball seniors.

Saturday Night's Game.

The J. B. A. A. play the Y. M. C. A. at the Drill hall concert on Saturday evening and as the latter have been practicing very hard, an interesting struggle will take place. The Y. M. C. A. is a real team, and has been in the shooting department. Consequently, for the past two weeks they have been putting in steady practice at the basket. They have not had a walkover by any means, and, if possible, their opponents intend to give them a big surprise. The J. B. A. A. team is as follows: Guards, J. Finlayson, K. Hughes; centre, E. Smith; forwards, R. P. A. Belyen, Ben Pettigrew, the captain, has decided not to play upon this occasion. Stan. Porter will act as referee.

Victoria West Wins From Fernwoods. The Victoria West Intermediates defeated the Fernwoods in their own hall by a score of 26 points to 7, last evening. This makes 6 straight games the Victoria Wests have won this season. They have not yet met defeat and are anxious to play Vancouver and Nanaimo for the Intermediate championship. Last night's game was hotly contested, but the green shirts were too much for their opponents and won fairly

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castly. Hancock, Bloomfield and Hutchinson did some very fine shooting, while the Stevens brothers put up their usual effective game at guard. For the losers, Jameson and Moore played a good forward and the Neelds brothers worked their hardest to save their goal. F. Baker of Victoria West, gave every satisfaction as referee.

The Senior Victoria West team leaves for Nanaimo and Ladysmith this morning. They play Nanaimo tonight in their game and meet Ladysmith on Saturday night. The team is as follows: Guards, T. Crocker, H. Monteth; centre, P. Baker; forwards, C. Fairall, W. Fairall, Reserves, Hutchinson and Hancock. Mascot, J. Bailey. A great game is expected at Vancouver as the match here resulted in a win for Victoria West by one point.

HANDBALL.

J. B. A. A. Tournament. S. Jost and C. Pontney are making a strong bid for first place in the doubles of the J. B. A. A. handball tournament. In the last match they defeated J. Sutherland and L. Solly, the score being 21-4, 20-21, 21-2.

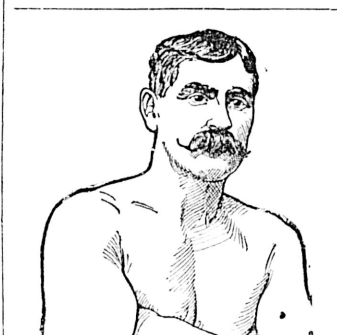
RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Burning to avenge their recent defeat at the hands of the stars, the mixed Victoria Senior and Intermediate aggregation will take the field against the "Flora" Saturday afternoon, at the Caledonia grounds, when a fine exhibition of the grand old game is expected.

The locals have a pretty good team this time, and the sailors will have to play the game of their lives to win. As the Flora fifteen has always been especially strong in the forward division, Victoria will line up with eight husky players, determined that upon no account will they be bested in the "scrums." The backs are fast, and if they get in their combination will take a lot of stopping. Enthusiasts should not miss this game, as it promises to be the event of the Rugby season. The Victoria fifteen is composed of the following players: Full back, A. Newcombe; three-quarters, L. Bell, C. Berkeley, Ken. Scholfield (captain), S. Patton; half backs, J. Bray, W. Newcombe; forwards, C. Cullin, C. B. Kennedy, J. Cornwall, R. Janlon, W. Moresby, A. McLean, F. A. Macrae, J. Penhryn, Reserves, W. Heath, P. Foot, W. Redfern, Alexis Martin will act as referee. As the senior game must start at 3 o'clock, the Junior Central and Oak Bay teams are requested to commence their game promptly at 1:30.

Junior Game Saturday. On Saturday afternoon next the Central Juniors will try conclusions with the Oak Bay team. Both these teams are exceptionally fast for junior aggregations and a very close game is looked for. The following players will represent the Central Club: Full back, H. Ozden; three-quarters, A. Sargison, H. Sargison, P. Anderson, W. Todd; half backs, W. Newcombe and W. Kinloch; forwards, L. Sweeney (centre), Morris, McConnell, Douglas, Morley, Leat, Wilson, Clegg and Keefe. Substitutes, Lyall, Farr and Knox.

The Oak Bay team will be selected from the following: Philip, Nason, Scott, Winsby, F. Nason, Patterson, Ashie, A. Morley, Robertson, Jeffs, Raymer, Pawsett, Janlon, Melmes, Miller, Maroon and Pitts. The game will start at 1:30 sharp and all players are requested to be on the grounds at that time.



DUNCAN A. McMILLAN.

PORT RENFREW NOTES. A Sawmill That Was Expected Did Not Materialize.

Port Renfrew, Feb. 28.—A company that was formed in Victoria with \$50,000 capital to build a sawmill at this place has now in contemplation the formation of a logging camp, with the object of booming the logs to Victoria and sawing them there. This idea, if carried out, will be a great disappointment to our people, who had confidently relied on the promises made here. Logs cannot be boomed out of this harbor after October, and for the three possible months towing is risky. Boom after boom have been lost on the bar. Millions of feet now line the harbor, a gruesome sight.

Query.—Is the government paid really if a boat is lost is the fee collected before the boom starts or is it not collected until the logs have reached their destination? Mills should be built right here. There are plenty of logs for several large mills for many years to come.

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Scholar-Professor—your mnemonic system is wonderful, and I am sure that anyone after mastering the rules, can learn to remember anything. But I am handicapped by one difficulty. Professor—What 6 straight games the Victoria Wests have won this season. They have not yet met defeat and are anxious to play Vancouver and Nanaimo for the Intermediate championship. Last night's game was hotly contested, but the green shirts were too much for their opponents and won fairly

THOUSANDS BATTLING WITH RAGING FLAMES

Prairie Fires Burn Over Thousand Square Miles and Threatens City.

Lawton, Okla., March 3.—Reports indicate that five persons have been burned to death, and there are 1,000 square miles of territory in Iowa and Comanche counties swept by prairie fires. Hundreds of people are homeless and it is impossible to estimate accurately the financial loss.

A. W. Crawford, Mrs. Henderson and two daughters, living near Lawton, were seriously burned, one of the daughters probably fatally. More fatalities are expected as reports from some districts are meagre. At Hobart, the county seat of Kiowa, the fire approached from the east, destroying everything. Spreading to the southwest, the fire swept 75,000 acres of government military and timber reserves and Indian reserves, destroying several hundred houses and forty head of government cattle.

In this district Dock and John Harmon, brothers, and a man named Fisher, perished. Two women also were killed. Late at night the fire began moving northward toward this city. At midnight five thousand people of the city were battling with the approaching flames. The advance line of the fire was fully two miles long. A thousand men turned out to check the fire at the grass borders. Water from every source was carried and distributed along the line. This served the purpose of checking the advancing lines of fire, but was of little avail in halting the continual rolling of firebrands into the streets of the city. In more than one hundred places flames arose from dwellings, barns and outbuildings. Whenever a house or barn was put to quench it with water. As a result of the cool judgment of the fighters, the city's loss was only \$10,000. Whole families lay out on the prairie through-out the freezing night, the storm had passed, with thin clothes on. Hundreds of people are destitute and suffering from the cold.

LONDON'S INDISCRETIONS.

Why the Funny War Correspondent Got Into Trouble.

Mr. Jack London, one of the numerous band of American war correspondents at present in Japan, will probably evolve some thrilling material for the journal or journals he writes, from his experiences at Moji, but it is doubtful if his articles will be illustrated, says the Kobe Chronicle. To people living in this part of the world the news of war comes from the press, at Moji, Shimonomaki, and thereabouts is somewhat common, but we can imagine the excitement of the officials in capturing a real live war correspondent in the act of snaphotting—never mind what within the forbidden zone. It is the old story retold. Mr. London arrived at Moji on Sunday from Nagasaki, and was staying in Moji waiting for the departure of the Kanazawa Maru, which left on Monday for Kure. Mr. London's intention being to go on to Chemulpo. On Monday afternoon he was walking through Moji, when his attention was attracted by a group of coolies whom he photographed. No sooner had he "pressed the button" than he was pounced upon by a policeman, who politely informed him that he must accompany him to Moji police station, where he was informed, to his surprise, that in snaphotting the coolies he was violating the Strategic Zone Regulations. Despite his protestations that he had no intention of breaking the law, and was ignorant of the regulation in force, his explanation was not accepted, and he was promptly sent to the Kokura Ku Salubansho for trial. We understand that Mr. London requested that his baggage might go to Kokura too, a request that was granted.

It was not until Tuesday that he was examined, found guilty of an infraction of the Strategic Zone Regulations, fined 5 yen, and sent, with baggage, back to Moji, one of the officers ordered Mr. London's camera, a very valuable one, should be confiscated. When he got back to Moji of course the boat was gone, but he said, he didn't mind losing the boat half as much as he did his camera. He should have thought it would have been sufficient (even if that were necessary) to destroy the plates in the camera, as has been done in similar instances before. If the facts are as stated, and we have no reason to doubt them, the Kokura Court seems to have acted in a somewhat arbitrary manner.

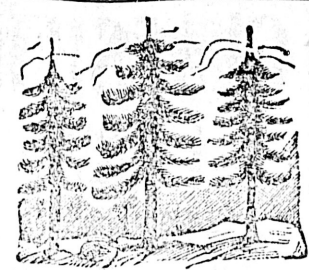
THE DECEPTION OF THE CZAR.

That the Czar was deceived by Victor Alexieff into the belief that there would be no war has become evident. Alexieff would seem to have been a blunderer from the start. With a creditable record as a naval commander, he had had no experience as a diplomat, and his contemptuous treatment of the Japanese despatches had demands entirely unbecoming to a diplomat. He began with the fixed idea that the Japanese would not precipitate hostilities, and when the storm burst upon him, he was surprised as his royal master, to whom he has always reported his conviction that there would be no war if it rested with the Japanese to strike the first blow. So great was the Czar's confidence in Alexieff that all the negotiations were taken out of the hands of the Minister of Foreign Affairs and confided to the viceroys, who had got the idea fixed in his mind that Japan was playing a game of bluff, and treated her accordingly. The Emperor was the worst advised man in his empire as to the real condition of affairs. The night before the battleships and cruisers reached the battlefields at Port Arthur he informed a diplomat who conversed with him at St. Petersburg, that his reign which began in peace, would end in peace. It is surprising to think that the autocratic ruler of the Russian empire, who has started out on a world-conquering mission, in accordance with the advice of Peter the Great, should have been so ill-informed, but evidence as to his want of knowledge, if not his capacity, is daily accumulating. The Czar does not possess a strong mentality. The report that he is often in tears since the war began, is, if not a sign of his incapacity, but convincing evidence of his incapacity. It is the fact that he intends to command the armies in person. Nicholas I. who met the shock of the combined forces of Great Britain, France and Prussia in the Crimean war, and defeated with good grace. At least history records that he did not weep, but at the close of hostilities resumed the task of consolidating and extending his empire. Balked at the Balkans by the treaty with the allies, he turned his attention to an Asiatic outlet. The armies of his successors invaded and subdued the petty principalities of Central Asia, invested Cochin China, and then moved on to sweep down upon Manchuria. The present Czar, who has undertaken to extend the policy of grab has met with a severe check from an unexpected quarter. There is reason to think that Alexieff will be relieved and that a stronger and more intelligent man will take his place. It is difficult to foresee what effect a defeat of the Russian army may have on Russian public opinion; but it does not seem that Czar Nicholas has a strong hold on the affections of his people. The nation is in a condition of unrest, and revolutionary ideas are everywhere propagated. The people, who are tired of a petty rule, reverence Nicholas I. because he was a man of strong will, and in the hour of defeat they stood by him, but if the present Czar should prove to be a weakling and his policy should crumble before the armies of the Mikado, his reign might come suddenly to an end.

"Do you think Blank is going to be good timber for the saw?" "Not exactly. He's what I'd call a political stick," Detroit Free Press.

Angry Father—Look here, young man, I takes you longer and longer to get to bed at night. The Young Man—Well, sir, the nights are longer than they were.—Smart Set.

"To me Wagner is a religion." "Yes?" "Yes, that is, what I can't understand I take on trust."—Brooklyn Life.



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Portland Oregonian Praises British Captain's Plucky Manoeuvre.

The Portland Oregonian says: "Capt. England, of the British bark Thistle, has certainly been guilty of a very serious breach of maritime etiquette. Coming up off the Columbia Bar last Saturday afternoon, and not wishing to spoil a good passage by being around outside waiting for a pilot or towboat, this bold, bad son of the sea cracked on full sail and raced in over the bar to safe anchorage inside. The serious nature of this departure from the time-honored custom of the Astoria pilot service can be understood by the statement that the pilot schooner signalled him to 'stand off.' Even this was not the worst feature of the impatient captain's performance, for later advices bring the news that he not only declined to wait until the pilots were ready to bring him in, but he actually came in through a channel which the pilots do not use. While this indiscreet and unsafe manoeuvre might be overlooked, it is fearful to contemplate what it may lead to. Supposing, for example, that the master of the Dix had been as familiar with the bar as was Capt. England, and that last week, when the Dix was caught at high water half an hour after daylight, he had awakened from his morning nap and taken his ship to sea while the overworked pilots still lingered with Mr. England. This indeed would have been an offence so grievous that it could not well be overlooked. The precedent established by Captain England is a serious matter."

PERSONALS.

Arthur Davey and wife of Dawson, are in the city, having returned from England, where they spent three months ago. They will pay a brief visit to friends here before proceeding to the Yukon.

A. S. Cross of Athol, is in the city, a guest at the Driford.

Dr. Ernest Hall is expected to arrive from Vancouver this evening.

John S. Howard of Nanaimo, is a guest at the Driford.

Miss J. H. Duff returned to Duncan yesterday after a brief visit to Victoria.

Lady Bromley and Mr. H. A. Bromley arrived yesterday on the R. M. S. Empress of India, and are staying at Mrs. James Dunsin's.

Mrs. J. H. Duff left last evening on the Princess Beatrice on an extended trip to England. She will go through the States via New York.

The many friends of Mrs. Geo. Hird will be grieved to learn that she is still confined to her home with muscular rheumatism.

J. D. Breze, provincial manager of the Confederation Life Assurance Co., while headquarters at Vancouver, is in the city, a guest at the Driford.

D. McLeod, Western superintendent of the C. P. R. police system, was in the city Wednesday evening, coming down from the Yukon to meet the Empress of India.

Senator McSweeney, of Moncton, N. B., in company with Mrs. McSweeney and Miss McSweeney, left Victoria a brief visit, in John Boyd of Vancouver, is in the city registered at the Driford.

J. D. Scott, Vancouver, is at the Driford. C. G. Fisher, of New Westminster, is at the Driford.

Mr. S. and Mrs. Dunlap, Hongkong, are at the Vernon.

C. H. Diekle and wife, Duncan; A. Lucas, Texada; John P. Kane, John J. P. Kane, Toronto; H. Sagana and E. W. MacLean, Vancouver, are at the Victoria.

Mrs. J. L. Tait has returned from a six week visit to relatives in Ontario and New York State.

John L. Howard, president of the Western Fuel Co., Nanaimo, is in the city, registered at the Driford.

H. N. Hick of Ladysmith, is at the Driford. P. Carter-Cotton came to the city last evening and is registered at the Driford.

Amey Morrison, M. P., is at the Driford. A. E. Woods, Capt. S. F. Mackenzie and W. C. Stein, all of Vancouver, are at the Driford.

Capt. Bucknam and Miss Bucknam were passengers from the Sound by the Princess Beatrice yesterday evening.

P. C. Gamble returned from the Maland yesterday evening. He has been at Nelson looking into the preparations for the building of the new court house.

J. H. B. Buckley returned from the Maland last evening.

Passengers per steamer Charming from Vancouver: J. McCall, G. Livingston and wife, J. Salmon, Dr. Lucas, D. A. McMillan, W. Jones, Miss Regan, M. S. Clark, B. W. Harrison, C. Ewart, H. A. Urquhart and wife, H. B. Gilmore, D. H. Hickey, Mrs. Corson, F. E. Julian, A. Kaye, C. M. O'Brien, H. Staffan, Mrs. W. R. Wilson, J. Garden, C. E. Heard, E. O. S. Schofield, S. C. Harries, J. J. Cohen, R. Anderson, S. Harvey, W. R. Wilson, E. Lovick, Prof. Donaghy, Jonty, B. R. Seabrook, R. G. Miller, M. L. Martin, W. A. Beattie and wife, Miss F. Vincent.

Passengers per steamer Whatcom from the Sound, S. J. Lathimer, H. Pratt, Geo. Herman, Geo. Rutland, Gus Lindak, W. Bissell, Mrs. Morgan, Miss Cowen, Mr. Phillips, J. W. C. Lillibridge, L. Leutler, Jas. Stark, R. D. Vroom, Mrs. Middleton, Jas. Taylor, Chas. Butler, Chas. Edwards, Jas. Patterson, S. E. Bartlett, J. S. Lindley.

"Hush, Lucy," said Mrs. Luchman, who was calling upon Mrs. Poppley. "Don't make so much noise." "Why?" demanded her little daughter. "Because you'll wake baby, he's asleep (ill he's sober, too?"—Standard and Times.

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Boston Tugboat Co.'s steamer Lyra, passed out Wednesday from Seattle to the Orient with a big cargo of flour, lumber, iron pipe, condensed milk, fish and cotton.

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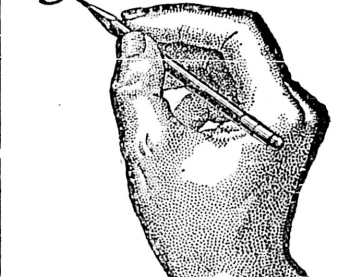
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That Pribyloff Islands Story

Victoria Sealers Are Not Worried Themselves About the Matter.

If Congressman Robinson's Bill Carries It Will Help Canadians.

Captain Cox, of the E. B. Marvin Company, was asked yesterday what he thought of the despatch which had come over the Associated Press wires to the effect that Congressman Robinson of Indiana had given notice of a bill to prohibit the killing of seals on the Pribyloff islands.

Captain Cox said that he knew Congressman Robinson very well, that he was a Democrat and came from Indianapolis. That such a bill would ever pass Congress Captain Cox very much doubted. It would, if it became law, unquestionably destroy the business of the American company, which now enjoys a monopoly of the seal killing on the Pribyloff islands. He could hardly believe that the United States government would under any conditions sanction such a measure. Should it become law, however, it would, of course, work to the benefit of the Canadian sealers by sending up the prices in London. The Victoria sealers, so far as he was aware were indifferent as regarded the fate of the measure, but there would be no serious demonstrations of regret should the proposed bill actually become the law of the United States. Prohibition of the killing on the Pribyloffs would probably lead to more American sealers engaging in the pelagic sealing, but some of the Canadian sealers feared fair and open competition. There is plenty of elbow room on the ocean, and if any other people wanted to try their luck at the sealing it was nobody's business.

Mr. Langley, secretary of the Victoria Sealing Company, was also interviewed regarding the proposed measure to stop seal killing on the islands, and said that even if such became the law it would not interest Victoria sealers much, as the Canadian sealers carried on their operations sixty miles off the Pribyloff islands, so the proposal to shut down on seal killing on the group was not of much moment. It was true that the cessation of sealing on the Pribyloffs would increase the London prices. He doubted whether such a measure as that proposed by Congressman Robinson would meet with acceptance. He had been somewhat surprised to note the despatch, but had not paid much attention to it because the improbability of such a bill carrying seemed rather remote.

Other representative sealing men concurred in the views expressed by Captain Cox and Mr. Langley. The message from Washington has caused no worry amongst the sealing men in Victoria.

GARONNE FOR NOME.

Big Steamship Again to Enter the Far Northern Business.

The steamship Garonne, owned by Frank Waterhouse & Co., will engage in the Nome trade this season. The announcement was made yesterday by Mr. Waterhouse, who, in view of the apparent shortage in Nome tonnage, believes the run will prove profitable, says Thursday's P.I.

The Garonne was formerly in that traffic. She is one of the largest passenger carriers ever on the run, having accommodations for 700 passengers, 650 first and second cabin and 150 steerage, and large cargo capacity. She has undergone marine inspection and was found seaworthy in every respect.

The Garonne, which is at Quarter-master harbor, has recently had a new hurricane deck put on, been thoroughly overhauled and refitted. Some time this month she goes into the Esquimaut drydock to have her hull scraped. The company announces that she will sail for Nome June 6th.

GENEROUS TREATMENT.

Owners of Unfortunate Steamer Queen Set a Fine Example.

Without solicitation or the presentation of a claim on her part, the Pacific Coast Steamship Company on Wednesday presented Mrs. Katherine J. Sumner of Boston, with transportation and berth from Seattle to her home and \$50. Mrs. Sumner is one of the women who spent four hours in the Queen's lifeboats Saturday morning, while the crew and male

Suggested Aids To Navigation

Interesting Report Presented by a Special Committee of Board of Trade.

Favor a Light on Trial Island Together With a Signalling Station.

The sole item of business dealt with at a meeting of the council of the Board of Trade held yesterday morning was the report received from a special committee appointed to look into the question of additional aids to navigation. It was adopted, and copies will be forwarded to the department of marine and fisheries and to the local representatives in the federal house. The report is as follows:

Gentlemen:—Your special committee on safety to sea-borne life and property, port of Victoria, beg to report:

"The committee of the suggestion that a light and fog alarm should be established on Trial Island, we instructed our secretary to obtain the views of pilots and captains conversant with the light and fog alarm on Trial Island. The secretary's letter and all the replies received, which you will observe are all strongly favorable to the proposition. Besides the reasons given in these replies, attention is directed to the fact that the light and fog alarm on Trial Island, only a few years since the tug Velox, with a barge, was wrecked there and nearly all on board lost their lives. More recently the steamer Edna Grace, and again, only a few years ago, the steamer Tees was ashore on Trial Island. This record, together with the testimony of many navigators, is considered strong enough to base an application for the light and fog alarm on Trial Island and recommended. Your committee would further recommend that a signal station be established there and connected with the city by telephone.

Complaint has been made in regard to the strength of the fog alarm on Broche Island. As far as your committee can ascertain that complaint would be in a great measure overcome by the establishment of a fog alarm on Trial Island, taking it for granted that the alarm on the island would be stronger, and the navigators having taken their bearings therefrom the alarm on Broche Island would be of less importance than it now is. Your committee recommends, however, that the fog alarm on Broche Island be made easily distinguishable from nearby fog alarms.

Your committee learn that the light on Berens Island, inside Victoria harbor, is not serving the best interests of the port in its present location, and we have been requested to ask that the light be removed to another position, nearer McLaughlin point.

We have been asked by the Yale and New Westminster pilotage authority to urge the establishment of an additional aid to navigation at the mouth of the Fraser river, but consider that a matter outside the scope of our reference, but nevertheless worthy of your consideration.

Other matters requiring the board's attention are the suggestion for a more powerful steamer at the quarantine station and the establishment of a life-saving station on the southern coast of Vancouver island. The latter has been repeatedly urged by the board at intervals extending over many years.

(Signed) GEORGE CAITER, President, Board of Trade.
D. R. KER.

SOME ECHOES OF A RECENT VISIT

Delegates of Associated Chambers of Commerce Tells of Island's Industries.

As an echo of the visit of the members of the Associated Chambers of Commerce to Vancouver Island last summer, the following item, taken from the Dudley (England) Advertiser, will be of interest. It is a selection from a paper read before the Dudley Chamber of Commerce by Mr. F. V. Cook:

"On the island of Vancouver we were privileged by the government, who chartered a vessel to convey us from Victoria, first of all to see the Crofton Copper Smelter, and then to the Nanaimo coal mines, so that we might have some clear idea of the way copper and coal were worked. We found that the Crofton copper smelter was up to date in every way, that five-sevenths of the ore was pure and we found large coal mines running under the sea. We descended the shaft 630 feet deep and noted that the haulage was by electric motors and endless ropes. This was necessary owing to the fact that the shaft was only 100 feet wide and a half to four miles away. There are two shafts to the lines and they raise about 1,000 tons a day of a thick bituminous coal. Provision is made on the pit's surface for washing and screening the coal. Ships are loaded direct from the wharf, provision being made to load 6,000 tons a day. It is considered the best coal on the Pacific coast. Nineteen miles goes to San Francisco, and it commands the high copper and iron for house use. Miners got from \$3 to \$3.50 a day; they work eight hours, according to the labor laws of Canada. No Chinese work underground; all white labor. They possess good houses and gardens and seem well contented. A colliery carried on many years by a Canadian company has recently passed into the hands of Americans, and the same remark applies to the Crofton Copper Smelter. We were assured by the government mines department that there are still more valuable deposits of coal to be got in the northern part of the island of Vancouver, and we would like, in passing, to refer to the beauty of the scenery around Nanaimo. Wooded bays and lovely islands, and just a touch of far-off times in the old Hudson's Bay fort, which stands close to the pier—a fine structure that will stand the sound of a modern gun."

TO FORM MUNICIPALITY.

On Wednesday evening at Cedar Hill Temperance hall there was a well-attended meeting under the auspices of the Farmers' Institute to discuss the advisability of forming the electoral district of South Saanich into a municipality. The special committee appointed at the meeting last month reported. The report was read and the committee discharged. The subject was then fully discussed and the following resolution was then put and carried:

"Resolved that, in the opinion of this meeting, it is desirable to form a municipality of the electoral district of South Saanich;

"And be it further resolved, that the Farmers' Institute be requested to hold similar meetings at the various places throughout the district."

Mr. Geo. Dean occupied the chair and the meeting was unanimous in the matter. It was decided to hold meetings in the district, as follows: Crofton, on the 16th, and Bolestin road, on the 23rd.

These elections are requested to attend the meeting and give their particular portion of the district.

FOR SALE!

Twenty-four acres of good land, beautifully situated on the waterfront near Gordon Head. This property is on a bay with a pleasant gently sloping sandy beach. It is well served by good roads, has an excellent spring of water, magnificent view and all things that go to make a desirable residential site.

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MADE IN CANADA FAIR.

Fair Workers of the City Receive Encouraging Responses from the East.

The Colonist has received the following from Mrs. Edward Hasell, convener of the advertising committee of the Made in Canada Fair:

Further encouragement has been received by the committee interested in promoting the Made in Canada Fair. Letters have been received as follows: From W. T. Stein, Vancouver, local secretary Canadian Manufacturers' Association: "I would take this opportunity of wishing you success in promoting the fair." From the Methodist Book house, Toronto: "I need not say that I am in sympathy with the enterprise, and wish it success, and we believe that for general lines of manufacture this should prove a very reliable advertisement."

Pure Gold Manufacturing Co., Toronto: "We might say that we think the idea a commendable one and ought to be satisfied to take a second place in an extent as to make him anxious to forward the interests of the fair."

Arthur Paquet, Quebec: "Wishing you all possible success."

W. Jones & Co., Walkerville: "Wishing you abundant success."

P. O. Dickinson for H. Donkin, manufacturers agent, Victoria: "I would say that this move strikes me favorably."

Collingwood Meat Co.: "We think the idea of the fair is most commendable and we wish it every success."

Wallaceburg Sugar Co.: "Trusting that you will meet with every success in your endeavors."

B. C. Broom Manufacturing Co., Vancouver: "We beg to assure you that you have our best wishes for the success of the undertaking, and we shall be pleased to assist in any way to make the fair a success."

Cowan Co., Toronto: "We are firm believers in Canada, in its people, in its actual resources, in its manufacturers and we feel confident that she will be satisfied to take a second place in any department. As a matter of fact many articles manufactured in Canada will bear comparison with the best made anywhere, but Canadians should not rest content with anything less than the best in anything."

Chace & Sanborn: "In reply to your very interesting circulars, it affords us much pleasure to say that we will gladly make a contribution to your laudable object."

Ralph Smith & Co.: "We beg to say that we fully appreciate the object of such a fair."

G. W. Gillet: "We have done a great deal of advertising in Victoria during the past year, introducing one or two of the lines we manufacture, and we were struck with the fact of the large amount of English and American goods that were used by consumers in Victoria."

Ingersoll Packing Co.: "We think your object is very commendable. This winter had the pleasure of seeing a 'Made in Canada' fair at Hamilton, which was a great success. The style and set up of the booths, the display of the goods and the enthusiastic interest of those responsible for the success of the fair were very noticeable. We feel that you will have, and deserve to have, a prompt response from all manufacturers."

William Tufts & Son, Vancouver: "We take this opportunity of replying to your circular and may add that we esteem it a great privilege as well as a pleasure to send you samples of our manufactured goods and will forward same at a later date."

Henson Woolen Mills, Amherst: "First of all we wish to express our appreciation, as Canadian manufacturers, of the very tangible interest which is being taken by 'The King's Daughters' of your city in the goods made in Canada."

Tollens, Toronto: "I am pleased to note that you propose holding a 'Made in Canada' Fair."

Toronto Carpet Co.: "The idea is a good one."

All these have supplemented their kind words by promises of contributions for exhibition or by taking sections for individual exhibition.

STARTLING REVELATIONS.

It frequently happens that people suffer for years from kidney derangements without knowing the cause of their sufferings, and the truth is revealed to them that they are the victims of serious kidney disease and in imminent danger. There is no medicine which gives such prompt and lasting relief for every form of kidney disease as Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. They are positively effective even in the most chronic cases.

A newly-married Atholston woman made a plea for dinner. "I am afraid," the bride said, "that I left something out, and that it is not very good." The husband tried it and said: "There is nothing you could leave out that would make a pie taste like this; it's something you've put in."—Atholston Globe.

Had to Give up and go to Bed.

Several Doctors Attended But Did No Good.

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills CURED.

Read what Miss L. L. Hanson, Waterdale, N.B., says: "I feel it my duty to express the benefit I have received from Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. A year ago last spring I began to have heart failure. At first I would have to stop working and lie down for a while. Then I got so bad I had to give up altogether and go to bed. I had several doctors attend me but they did me no good. I got no relief until urged by a friend to try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. Before I had used three quarters of a box I began to feel the benefit and by the time I had taken three boxes I was completely cured."

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills cure nervousness, sleeplessness, palpitation of the heart, skip beats, and all trouble arising from the heart or nerves.

Price 50 cts. box, or 3 for \$1.25. All dealers, or

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With the prices on all goods going up, the following select list of bargains would be cheap at regular prices. At Friday's Bargain Prices they're really remarkable offerings, and bear in mind that we advertise what we have and sell what we advertise.

Boys' Blue Knickers All makes, including the famous Lion Brand. Our regular sizes 24 to 33. 40c. Ones for 25c. 50c. Ones for 35c. 75c. Ones for 50c. \$1.00 and \$1.25 Ones for 75c.	Boys' Sailor Caps Fine Blue Beaver Cloths, with gold lettering; regular prices 50c. to \$1.25. CHOICE FRIDAY FOR 35c
Boys' Regatta Shirts Starched and soft bosoms, sizes 13, 13½, 14; regular prices 75c. and 90c. CHOICE FRIDAY FOR 25c	Boys' Underwear In Light and Medium Weight, soft German wool; regular price \$1.00 suit. FRIDAY 25c Garment
Boys' Hose Boys' Heavy All-Wool Ribbed Hose, a line we want to close out, sizes 7½, 8½, 9, 9½. 10, FRIDAY 20c pr	

Men's Shirts Men's Regatta Working Shirts, collars attached, neat checks and black and blue stripes; regular price 60c. each. CHOICE FRIDAY FOR 25c	Men's Sweaters Men's All-Wool Sweaters, colors and fancy stripes; regular prices \$1.00 to \$1.50. CHOICE FRIDAY FOR 75c
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